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FROM: PARIS

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 1961, OCTOBER 26, 6 PM

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NORSTAD IS CONSIDERING APPROACH TO FRENCH IN HIS CAPACITY AS SUPREME COMMANDER FOR AUTHORITY TO DISPERSE NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO BASES IN FRANCE.

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF OF STAFF AIR FORCE WASHINGTON SUGGESTED STATE DEPARTMENT APPROACH FRENCH ON THAT MATTER. NORSTAD FEELS STRONGLY AND I FULLY AGREE THAT ANY APPROACH SHOULD BE MADE BY SHAPE RATHER THAN BY US NATIONAL AUTHORITY. NORSTAD DOES NOT INTEND TO MAKE APPROACH BEFORE MONDAY AND THEN ONLY IF SITUATION REMAINS AS TENSE AS AT PRESENT.

NORSTAD ASSURES ME THAT THERE ARE SERIOUS MILITARY CONSIDERATIONS BEHIND THIS MOVE AND REQUEST WILL BE LIMITED ONLY TO PERIOD OF EMERGENCY.

I AM SENDING YOU THIS MESSAGE MERELY TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH NORSTAD'S METHOD OF APPROACH AND DO NOT FAVOR ANY U.S. NATIONAL ACTION.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR

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